

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

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| United States of America, Plaintiff, v. Dennis E. Hecker, Defendant. | Case No. 0:10-CR-32 (01) JNE/SRN DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR ADDITIONAL PEREMPTORY CHALLENGES |
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Defendant, DENNIS E. HECKER, by and through his undersigned counsel, Brian N. Toder, hereby moves the Court for an order allowing him additional peremptory challenges. FED. R. CRIM. P. 24(b). The motion is based in part upon the overwhelming and prejudicial pretrial publicity in the case. Additional peremptory challenges are appropriate in the face of such prejudicial pretrial publicity. *E.g., United States v. Blom*, 242 F.3d 799, 804 (8th Cir. 2001); *see also U.S. v. Rodriguez*, 581 F.3d 775, 784-85 (8th Cir. 2009); *U.S. v. Johnson*, 354 F.Supp.2d 939, 980 (8th Cir. 2005); *U.S. v. Nelson*, 347 F.3d 701, 707 (8th Cir. 2003).

Respectfully submitted,

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